

## House Resolution No. 4012

**Whereas**, it is always a pleasure for the members of the Missouri House of Representatives to recognize an outstanding Show-Me State couple who have ceaselessly embraced the promises made to one another so many years ago; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lenz, residents of Louisiana, Missouri, commemorated the jubilant occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on September 4, 2004, at the American Legion Post in Louisiana; and

**Whereas**, it was five wondrous decades ago that Gerald Lenz took the hand of his beloved Bertha Hanson during a resplendent wedding ceremony on September 4, 1954, at St. Mary's Church in Iowa City, Iowa; and

**Whereas**, God has blessed Gerald and Bertha Lenz with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include their children, Mike Lenz, Diana Guthrie, Linda Holtsman, Dale Lenz, and Cathy Stoops; fifteen grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, known as proud and loving parents, Gerald and Bertha Lenz provided their children with boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

**Whereas**, Gerald and Bertha Lenz strived to provide a comfortable home and secure future for their loved ones through their successful endeavors together, including ownership of Twin City Bowl; and

**Whereas**, during their half century together, Gerald and Bertha Lenz have found true love: love that lasts, love that heals, love that transforms, and love that brings inestimable joy:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Gerald and Bertha Lenz upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and further wish them continued prosperity as they begin their fifty-first year of wedded bliss; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lenz.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4012, adopted September 7, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker